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BOERS JUST AHEAD.

Buller Has Reached the Point Where He Must Fight.

ENEMY IN THE HILLS

What Their Strength Is and What Their Tactics Will Be Remains to Be Seen—Warren Forging on to Ladysmith.

London, Jan. 19.—Messages from the front appear to confirm the general impression that events in Natal will now move quickly, though hardly as rapidly as tongues and pens rumor among managers. There is nothing up to the present to support the story that the relief of Ladysmith is an accomplished fact, but it is learned on excellent authority that the situation is now regarded at the war office with entire confidence, and that the beleaguered town is considered practically relieved, although there is no attempt to underrate the danger and difficulty of Buller's task.

Warren was actually in the vicinity of Acton Holmes Wednesday and a portion of his force under Lord Dundonald, secured an important position westward of that place, on the Boers right flank threatening the Free Staters' communication with their own country by way of Van Ronald's pass. The British camp outside of Ladysmith ought to be visible from there as the intervening country is open.

Sir Ellis Ashmead Bartlett, member of parliament, who has arrived at Rensburg, Cape Colony, expressed satisfaction with French's disposition of his troops. He visited Coles Kop while the shelling of the Boers camp was proceeding with such success, that it is announced on good authority that 16 Boers and 36 horses were killed.

Advices from Cape Town say Webster Davis, assistant secretary of the interior at Washington, sailed from Port Elizabeth on Monday for Delagoa Bay. Buller telegraphed the war office from Spearman's Camp under date of Thursday as follows:

"Lord Dundonald, with a body of mounted troops came into action this afternoon with a force of Boers west of Acton Holmes. After a fight he occupied several kopjes which he is still holding. Field Cornets Heilbrun and 20 Boers were killed and 15 prisoners were taken. Two British soldiers were killed and two wounded."

The following was received from Spearman Camp, Natal:

"The Boer trenches have been persistently shelled by naval guns. Small parties of Boers are seen at intervals and a large force from the direction of Ladysmith are going to the northwest of the British position."

"A balloon did good service in observing that Lytleton's force made a demonstration in the direction of Brakfontein kopjes, four miles north of the British position under the cover of heavy artillery fire to which the Boers did not respond. On the left Warren's troops remained in possession of two prominent kopjes behind Spier Kop. There was some Boer sniping, but it was ineffective."

"The Graaff-Reinet Boers evacuated Brieska on Jan. 15, and returned northward across the river."

AN EXPERT'S OPINION.

Thinks Buller Can Cut Off the Retreat of the Burghers.

New York, Jan. 19.—A dispatch to The World from London says:

General Buller's force is both able and willing. The leader's war expert thinks, to threaten the Drakenburg mountain pass to Orange Free State, thus cutting off the retreat of the burghers of that republic and at the same time command the roads to Ladysmith. The same military writer also declares Ladysmith relief column is now in position to flank the Boer entrenchments on the pont (ferry) and west of Potgieter's drift (ford). He expects White and Buller to join in a day or two without any great difficulty. The war office chiefs, however, look for some very heavy fighting if the siege of Ladysmith is raised.

FROM THE TRANSVAAL.

Letter from Johannesburg Tells of High Hopes of the Boers.

New York, Jan. 19.—An idea of the high hopes entertained in the Transvaal republic of the outcome of the war with Great Britain are given in a letter written by E. Houtbakkker, the assistant stationmaster at Johannesburg, to his sister in Brooklyn. The letter was sent in November by way of Lorenzo Marquez. The letter says in part:

"We are getting used to it a bit now. Since Oct. 15 no more letters reached us from beyond the Transvaal. A solitary cable dispatch manages to come through

occasionally, but then it is a week old. At first I still maintained correspondence with Cape Town, but that is now no more possible.

"The Boers are scoring an enormous success and have already conquered the biggest part of Natal. They are pushing rapidly into Cape Colony, where they are joined by the burghers. Kimberley is likewise completely surrounded as well as Mafeking, while in the northern part of the Transvaal the Boers are already beyond our boundaries. On every side the British are getting a good thrashing. The international arrangements here are excellent. All the English have left the country. The Boers still remaining may be seen daily leaving for their various commands. The enthusiasm has reached such a pitch that the stay behinds who don't do anything for their country grow ashamed."

"Johannesburg is now fearfully quiet. All the male population has been drafted into a speculation constabulary. No one is allowed out after 9 p. m. With the exception of ten mines which are being worked by the government, all the mines on the Rand are shut down. If you could but see how everything is being taken care of, even to the minutest detail, you could not fail to feel great respect for the genius in organizing which is being displayed by the Boers."

"Up to the present 1500 English are prisoners, among which are 50 officers, and 6000 are slain. Our loss does not amount to 200, including the dead and wounded. It sounds like a miracle."

"It still looks doubtful who will come out ultimate conqueror but as things look now the burghers stand a good chance. No fighting has occurred on their own ground. The supply of food is plentiful, the enthusiasm is great. The English soldiers are not worth much and surrender easily. Already two of their generals are dead. Cape Colony will revolt."

"The British are getting their well earned reward and I should not feel surprised to see the English leave South Africa neck and crop. No doubt it will surprise you to see me having changed thus, but that could not be otherwise after having witnessed everything. It is now clear that Chamberlain's sole aim has been for three years to make war against the Transvaal and obtain possession of its territory. These last months I have learned a great deal about the Boers and their country, and though I am in no wise infatuated with them, they are much superior to those that work the mines. One of the striking features is that in this war the Boers show all their good qualities, leaving their bad ones at home."

WILL RECEIVE WHITE.

If He Has Credentials He Can Represent the Transvaal Government.

Washington, Jan. 19.—It is stated in an authoritative quarter that if Montague White is equipped with proper credentials from the Transvaal government he will be received as its representative by the administration.

General O'Beirne's rejection was ostensibly due to his American citizenship, but there is no doubt that the authorities would have preferred that the matter of the Transvaal representation be left undetermined. However, when Mr. White calls at the state department Secretary Hay will see him and his status will then be determined upon.

There is ever reason to believe that if his mission is to secure an expression of sympathy from the president in behalf of his government or that the intervention of that official, it will fail, as it is reiterated that the administration will not interfere unless Great Britain should signify her willingness to have this government act.

Methuen Directs His Men.

Modder River, Jan. 19.—General Methuen, who is in robust health, personally directed another strong reconnaissance Wednesday. The Highlanders succeeded in driving the Boers from the brush at the river bank by long range volleys. The Boer fire was ineffective.

Strathcona's Mounted Rifles.

Montreal, Jan. 19.—The new body of mounted rifles to be raised in Canada at the expense of Lord Strathcona, the Canadian high commissioner at London, will be known as Strathcona's Horse. It will be got together by the militia department and will be forwarded to South Africa from Halifax, but Lord Strathcona will meet the entire expense, and will furthermore maintain the troop in South Africa during the continuance of the war. It will cost Lord Strathcona more than \$1,000,000. The troops will consist of three units of 125 men each and will be drawn from the mounted police force and cowboys and ranchers of the Canadian northwest.

Preparing for Parliament.

London, Jan. 19.—A cabinet meeting took place here for the purpose of arranging a legislative programme for the coming session of parliament and to outline the queen's speech.

Hay Reaches Cape Town.

Cape Town, Jan. 10.—Adelbert Hay,

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the new consul, arrived Thursday, and will start for Pretoria Saturday.

Remains of Paul Jones.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The proposition to remove the remains of Commodore John Paul Jones from Paris and bury them in Arlington cemetery will probably receive the sanction of congress if all doubt can be removed as to the complete identification of the grave of the naval hero, which has been so long neglected that it has really been forgotten. The secretary of the navy will send to congress the latest information in possession of the office of naval intelligence. The naval attaché at Paris is still prosecuting his investigation and expresses confidence that he will be completely successful in the end.

A Negro Badly Hurt.

West Point, Tex., Jan. 19.—A negro named Lindsay jumped from the blind baggage of a Missouri, Kansas and Texas train here. It is thought that he is fatally injured.

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WAR PREDICTED.

Russian Naval Officer Says Japan and Russia Must Fight.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—"War between Russia and Japan is looked upon as inevitable by the naval officials of those countries who have been nearest the probable scene of the future operations," said Lieutenant Romanoff, of the imperial Russian navy who has arrived in Chicago. "The lieutenant has just completed a three years course in Asiatic waters and is on his way to St. Petersburg. He continued.

"How soon such a war may begin it is difficult to say, but events little short of miraculous may avert it. The Japanese are building warships as rapidly as possible in anticipation of the outbreak of hostilities and Russia is strengthening her navy as fast as she can. That Russia must have a naval base between Port Arthur and Vladivostok is conceded and that she will try to get one in Korea is certain. In the event of such war it is considered probable in Russian naval circles that Russia will have the aid of Germany and that England will take the other side. European hostilities will follow the outbreak of war between Russia and Japan.

"The mobilization of trans-Caspian troops at Baku and Herat and other maneuverings on the part of Russia are taken to mean the beginning of a movement to eliminate English influence in territory heretofore held by her, beginning at Kabul. It is certain that England will have to fight to retain her territory in the east."

Russia Loans Corea.

Shanghai, Jan. 19.—It is reported here that an agreement has been concluded under which Russia will lend Corea \$12,000,000, of which \$5,000,000 will be paid immediately. Corea having unsuccessfully applied to Japan for a loan.

Chicago's Drainage Canal.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The supreme court of the United States took informal cognizance of the motion of the state of Missouri for leave to file a bill of complaint against the state of Illinois, asking for an injunction against the Chicago drainage canal to the extent of stating to Attorney General Crow of the former state that some announcement would be made on Monday next. It is not known whether the court will announce its decision upon the motion asking leave to file, or announce its desire to hear argument upon it in connection with the merits of the case.

Robbers' Daring Deed.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—Three safe robbers bound and gagged the watchman at the picture frame factory of E. R. Clark & Co., blew open the safe and held up a police officer who intercepted them. The night watchman escaped from his bonds while the robbers were blowing open the safe. He called an officer and a private watchman. The robbers, who had completed their work assaulted the policeman and took away his club and pistol, shot at the watchman and escaped.

Dewey to Visit New Orleans.

New Orleans, Jan. 18.—Bathurst, lord high chamberlain to Rex, the king of the carnival, has received a telegram from Congressman Adolph Meyer to the effect that Admiral Dewey would attend Mardi Gras with his wife. The message stated that the distinguished couple would arrive on Feb. 24. Dewey was recently created Duke of Manila by the carnival powers, and a personal invitation was extended him through Congressman Meyer to attend its festivities.

Death of Captain Steele.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The adjutant general has received a telegram saying that Captain Charles L. Steele, of the Eighteenth infantry, died at Fort Bayard, N. M. He was born in Mississippi in 1856. Was appointed to the military academy from Tennessee, graduating in the class of 1875. In November, 1898, he accompanied his regiment to the Philippines, where he was taken sick and was compelled to return to the United States.

Willing to Surrender Moore.

Santiago de Chile, Jan. 19.—The court of the first instance has decided to accede to the proposal to deliver to the United States authorities Frederick T. Moore, accused of embezzling \$53,000 from the National Bank of Commerce, in Boston, Mass. Moore has appealed to the supreme court, which will render a decision next Monday.

Grady Lodged in Jail.

West Plains, Mo., Jan. 19.—Grady, one of the men who broke jail after beating to death Deputy Sheriff Alfred Henry, and who was captured at Kosh Konong, was brought here and lodged in jail.

An Elevator Accident.

New York, Jan. 19.—Two men were killed and three possibly fatally injured in the falling of an elevator in the storage warehouse of O'Reilly Bros. The injured men are in a precarious condition.

Boiler Explosion.

Waynesboro, Ga., Jan. 19.—The boiler at Redd's saw mill near here burst instantly killing Engineer John Burke and dangerously scalding and wounding several others.

Dr. Given Dead.

St. Paul, Jan. 19.—Dr. C. L. Given, D. D., pastor of Unity church in this city, and well known throughout the country, died of peritonitis.

Local Option Majority.

Midland, Tex., Jan. 19.—The local option election for this precinct went for prohibition by 11 votes, after a most interesting and hot campaign.

BULLER'S STRENGTH.

The War Office Says He Has About Thirty-Five Thousand Men.

London, Jan. 19.—Military circles in affiliation with the war office consider that the expected battle, along the wide arch south and west of Ladysmith, can hardly be delayed beyond a day. From Durban it is reported that fighting has already begun.

General Buller's forces, engaged in the flanking operations across the Tugela, are some 16,000, 14,000 bayonets, 1200 horses and 40 guns. The disposition of his other 15,000 or 20,000 men is not known, although the assumption is that the whole army will be in action when the hour for combined movement arrives.

Three weeks ago General Buller had 30,000 men. Considerable reinforcements have since reached him, giving him probably 35,000 men and 80 guns all told.

Estimates of how many men and guns the Boers have to oppose him are mere guess work. In not replying to General Lytton's shells, they are using the tactics that proved so successful in the battles of Magersfontein and Colenso—lying low in the trenches and thus hoping to conceal their precise position until the infantry advances.

The Daily Chronicle's military expert sees a curious analogy between Gen. Buller's situation now and the eve of Magersfontein. Now, as then, the Boers are making a stand with their backs to investing lines within a few miles. As Lord Methuen, after crossing Modder river, had to attack Spytfontein and Magersfontein hills, so General Buller, after passing the Tugela, faces invisible entrenchments in a rough country.

One correspondent mentions General Buller's wheeled transport of 5000 vehicles, which connects him with the rail head, about 30 miles to the rear. Among these vehicles are 30 traction engines which draw from 10 to 15 wagons each.

General Buller's warning as to the misuse of the white flag by the Boers in his pronouncement to the troops is considered a rather broad hint to give no quarter. His phrase "there will be no turning back," is passed upon editorially by the morning papers as presaging cheerful announcements.

The absorbing interest felt in the situation at Natal and other points in the theater of war seem microscopic. Lord Methuen lies behind his works at Modder river. It is estimated that his forces will have to be nearly or quite doubled before he can relieve Kimberley.

British reinforcements are moving toward General French at Rensburg. With these he is expected to advance. General Gatacre's men occupy Lopesburg, a slight advance.

The war office announces that next week will be embarked 72 guns, 3710 men and 2770 horses. This is the largest consignment of artillery ever sent abroad.

The British losses in killed, wounded and captured up to date are 7987 officers and men.

Saved by a Love Letter.

Kansas City, Jan. 19.—A letter written to his sweetheart caused the release by the Federal authorities of J. T. Cox, alias George Rogers, who was arrested on suspicion of having robbed the postoffice at Boulder, Colo., April 11, 1899. Cox was arrested at Belton and in every particular, even to the name, answered the description of the man wanted for the Boulder robbery. He was unable to establish innocence when brought to this city, but bethought himself of his sweetheart, a cashier in a department store here. He sent for her and she produced a letter from him dated at Belton, Mo., the day the Boulder robbery was committed. On the strength of this letter he was released.

Will Enforce Payment.

Little Rock, Jan. 19.—Only about half of the \$100,000 bonus having been paid by the citizens of Little Rock, Ark., to the Choctaw railway for building this city, General Manager Wood has issued a notice that in the event the amount subscribed is not paid immediately legal action will be taken to enforce the payment.

Popular Vote for Senators.

Washington, Jan. 19.—The house committee on election of the election of the president and vice president agreed on a favorable report on the joint resolution for an amendment to the constitution for the election of United States senators by direct vote of the people.

What Drink Caused.

Chester, Pa., Jan. 19.—As a result of a drunken carousal Mrs. Ida Sible and Mrs. Mary Blizzard were so badly scalded by falling into a vat in the dye-house of the South Chester Manufacturing company, that they died.

Hurt by a Horse's Fall.

Ennis, Tex., Jan. 19.—John Nicholson who lives 10 or 12 miles southeast of here, was running cattle when his horse fell with him and he was seriously, perhaps fatally hurt.

Criminal Assault Charged.

Cleburne, Tex., Jan. 19.—A man by the name of Jack McDonald was brought in from near Godley by the constable of that precinct and a charge of criminal assault filed against him.

NEWS IN BRIEF.

Dr. Amos G. Warner, a prominent American professor, died in the City of Mexico.

Charles E. Macrum, former United States consul at Pretoria, has reached Naples on his way to Washington.

Miss Lela Trapman of South Carolina was married at London to Carl Wilhelm von Meister of Hamburg.

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The plays they have presented have been much enjoyed, and Mr. Jack C. Taylor has shown himself to be a versatile actor easily adapting himself to either comedy or romantic roles. He is a conscientious painstaking worker, and the management has surrounded him with a clever company which ably supports his work. The play list night was up to standard previously established, and the specialties were, as usual, fine. Don't miss the two remaining performances. Matinee bill, "The Farmer's Iron Will." Tonight, "The Lightning Rod Agent."

SOUTH BEFORE THE WAR.

Those who enjoy negro melody and mirth, who happened to be present at the opera house last night, found in "The South Before the War" much to enjoy and provoke laughter. The darkey notion of parental discipline as practiced in ante-bellum times was displayed with old-time vigor to the amusement of those to whom the scene was familiar. The buck and wing dancing practiced by several members of the company was capitally done. Zella, the human frog, proved to be a contortionist equal to the best, introducing some novel and difficult feats. It was, however, the music of the program that pleased most.

A male quartette furnished some good music and the mixed chorus in rendering familiar plantation melodies deserved the very hearty applause received.

A female quartette was one of the hits of the evening, singing most pleasingly a number of selections without accompaniment. One of the number, Pauline Cottrill, is the possessor of a contralto of a volume and richness worthy of something better than the ragtime melodies she sung so well.—Palestine Press.

Opera house Monday night, Jan. 22.

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County Populist Convention.

By virtue of authority invested in me as chairman of the People's Party of Brazos county, I hereby call a mass meeting of the Populists of the county, to be convened on Saturday, January 27, 1900 at the court house in Bryan at 1 o'clock p. m. for the purpose of electing delegates to the congressional convention which meets at Waco, Saturday, February 3, 1900, for the purpose of electing delegates to the National Peoples Party convention, and transacting such other business as may come before it.

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LAST DAY'S SESSION.

Cattlemen Bring Their Convention to a Close at Fort Worth.

Fort Worth, Tex., Jan. 19.—The last day's session of the National Live Stock association convened at 9:30 o'clock this morning. The attendance was lighter than on previous days.

The principal paper read at the morning session was by Hon. L. G. Powers, of Washington.

The convention indorsed the resolution to cooperate with the Federal government in establishing colleges of agriculture and mechanics arts for the purpose of higher education in agriculture, including live stock products of all kinds, for the scientific investigation of all agricultural and live stock problems.

J. H. Pickeral read a paper on "What Short Horns Have Done for the Country." This was followed by a paper on "Potency of Hereford Blood," by T. F. B. Sotham of Missouri.

PLAGUE IN HAWAII.

Fresh Outbreak of the Disease Occurs at Honolulu.

San Francisco, Jan. 19.—The steamer Doric has arrived here from Asiatic ports via Honolulu. From Honolulu comes the news of a fresh outbreak of the plague, six deaths having occurred between the departure of the steamer China, which arrived here Monday and the departure of the Doric, which left Honolulu Jan. 13. This brings the total number of deaths from the plague up to 28, and it is understood there are 26 cases in the hands of the health officers.

The Doric brings news that Honolulu's Chinatown is being burned and that every effort is being made to stamp out the disease.

Generous Bank Receiver.

St. Joseph, Mo., Jan. 19.—Receiver Milton Tootle, of the Central Savings bank, has sprung a surprise on the court and depositors by serving a notice that he will not accept one cent for his services. He is entitled to \$10,000. R. A. Brown, the receiver's attorney, voluntarily surrendered one half of his fees, or \$2000. The bank will pay depositors in full Feb. 1. It failed one year ago. The receiver was warmly commended by the court for the successful and speedy manner in winding up the bank affairs.

Smallpox in Indiana.

Indianapolis, Jan. 19.—The smallpox epidemic in southwest Indiana is assuming alarming proportions. The disease has been prevalent for over three months and, having been pronounced chickenpox by local physicians, no steps were taken to prevent its spread. In Lester-ville, Washington county, every inhabitant has the disease. At Clay City there are nearly 300 cases, being half the population of the place. Other places are similarly afflicted.

Physician Commits Suicide.

Jackson, Tenn., Jan. 19.—In his room at the McCoy-McDonald sanitarium, of this city, Dr. John I. Taylor, one of Jackson's most highly esteemed physicians, shot himself in the right temple. The ball passed through his head, causing death in a few minutes. Recently he said to a friend that in consequence of bad health he intended to end his life. He was 46 years old, and leaves a family.

Closed on Account of Smallpox.

Harrisburg, Ills., Jan. 19.—The board of health has ordered the schools of this city closed on account of smallpox. Two more cases have developed, Postmaster T. S. Reynolds and Robert Carlyle, a barber. Up to date there are nine cases. So far none has proved fatal. All surrounding towns and all towns on the Big Four railroad, from Grayville to Parker, have quarantined against this city.

General Otis Shot At.

Chicago, Jan. 19.—A special to The Record from Victoria, B. C., says J. P. Molera, who has just arrived from Manila, tells of an attempt on the life of General Otis. In conversation with reference to the situation there he said that General Otis once appeared on the firing line when a shot from the rifle of one of the soldiers whizzed uncomfortably close to his head. As to who fired the shot no clue was discovered.

Walcher Captured.

Guthrie, O. T., Jan. 19.—J. E. Walcher, who is charged with killing Colonel John F. Stone near Columbia a week ago, was arrested and taken to the Kingfisher jail, charged with murder. Walcher's wife and brother were arrested and jailed, charged with being accessories.

Slays His Family and Suicide.

Worcester, Mass., Jan. 19.—Martin Bergen, a member of the Boston baseball team, shot and killed his wife, two children and then himself in North Brookfield.

Elected by Acclamation.

Indianapolis, Jan. 19.—John Mitchell and W. C. Pierce were reelected president and secretary-treasurer of the United Mine Workers by acclamation.

Bank Robbed.

Indianapolis, Jan. 19.—The Bank of Ellettsville, 10 miles north of here, was robbed and \$1500 is reported taken. The robbers escaped.

Colson Still in Jail.

Frankfort, Jan. 19.—Colonel Colson is still in jail; no bond being allowed until the grand jury reports. The jail is closely guarded.

Hurt by a Falling Limb.

Denton, Tex., Jan. 19.—Lee Pressley's left leg was broken just above the ankle near Waketon by a limb of a tree falling on it.

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A SHARP COLLOQUY.

Breckinridge and Suter Had to Be Checked by the Chairman—Evidence of the Republican Side Will Be Taken.

Frankfort, Jan. 19.—The hearing of evidence on behalf of Goebel and Beckham, the Democratic contestants for governor and lieutenant governor, before the joint legislative contest board has been completed, and the hearing of evidence for Taylor and Marshall began today. Taylor and Marshall have five days set apart for them, after which Goebel and Beckham will have one day in rebuttal.

The contest notices of Taylor and Marshall have been tendered, but the attorneys for the contestants asked and were granted time to examine them and prepare their objections to the filing, or to take such other action as they may desire.

Not more than 50 witnesses testified on the side of the contestants. The witnesses were mainly from Louisville and the principal evidence was in regard to the alleged military interference there.

Among the witnesses from Louisville were General John B. Castleman, Sheriff Bell, Chief of Police Haagar and other officials. The feeling between the Goebel and anti-Goebel Democrats was evidenced by some spicy questions and answers between Colonel Breckinridge, counsel for Taylor, and some of the Louisville witnesses who testified in behalf of Goebel, notably, when R. Lee Suter, member of the board of public safety, was on the stand. The sparring between Mr. Suter and Colonel Breckinridge became highly interesting, though each kept within the bounds of courtesy. The colloquy finally became so sharp however, that the chairman called both to order.

Two legislative contest committees trying contested house election cases will report unanimous in favor of seating McKinney, Democrat, who is contesting the seat of Representative Taylor of Trigg county, and in favor of Crawford, Democrat, of Breathitt county, whose seat is contested by a Republican.

Trouble Not Entirely Over.

Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 19.—The hearing of testimony on behalf of Governor Taylor and Lieutenant Governor Marshall was begun under the plan of procedure that four days be allowed for the contestants' testimony. In that time less than 50 of the 350 summoned could be heard. The contestants have a much larger number of witnesses here from all parts of the state, and have but five days in which to present their testimony. There are grave fears of trouble, when it is found that many of the witnesses cannot possibly be heard.

WASHINGTON NEWS.

The Philippine Question Reviewed by Senator Wellington.

Washington, Jan. 19.—For an hour yesterday Mr. Wellington (Rep. Md.) occupied the attention of the senate, continuing the debate on the Philippine question. He took as his text the resolution he introduced last Tuesday, declaring that the United States should not take permanent possession of the archipelago, but after subduing the insurrection—which he sincerely deplored—should confer upon the Filipinos the right to govern themselves, affording them such protection as they might need.

Mr. Teller (Sil. Rep. Colo.) resumed his speech on the financial bill, in the course of which he arraigned Secretary Gage for his negotiations with the National City bank of New York.

The house passed the senate bill to extend the powers of the director of the census, after striking out the committee amendment to authorize the director to contract for extra printing with private contractors.

The whole fight was upon that amendment. The influence of the public printer and the labor organizations of the country were employed against it and after a lively debate of several hours it was overwhelmingly defeated. The publication of the reports of the twelfth census, therefore, will be made by the public printer as in the past.

Bryan Not Indorsed.

Annapolis, Md., Jan. 19.—The Maryland house of delegates, which is overwhelmingly Democratic, refused to indorse William J. Bryan as "the recognized leader of the Democracy in the United States," and practically killed a resolution introduced by a free silver advocate to invite Mr. Bryan to address the body.

Supposed to Be Plague.

Portland, Ore., Jan. 19.—A private dispatch from Victoria, B. C., says the steamer Monmouthshire which plies between Portland and the Orient, signalled "sickness aboard" from Carmanah Point on Vancouver island. It is supposed the steamer has bubonic plague aboard.

Want Government Control.

Jackson, Miss., Jan. 19.—In the senate a memorial to congress was adopted asking the government to take entire charge of the Mississippi river levees.

A Name for the Baby.

In some countries curious customs prevail in regard to selecting a name for the baby. A Hindu baby is named when it is twelve days old and usually by the mother. Sometimes the father wishes for another name than selected by the mother. In case two lamps are placed over the two names, and the one over which the lamp burns brightest is the one given to the child.

In an Egyptian family the parents choose a name for their baby by lighting three wax candles to each of these they give a name one of the three belonging always to some dignified personage. The candle that burns the longest determines the name for the baby.

The Mohammedans sometimes write desirable names on five slips of paper, and these they place in the Koran. The name upon the slip first drawn out is given to the child.

The children of the Ainos, a people living in northern Japan, do not receive their names until they are five years old. At that age the father gives his son a new name.

The Chinese give their boy babies a name in addition to their surnames, and they must call themselves by these names until they are twenty years old. At that age the father gives his son a new name.

The Chinese care so little for their girl babies that they do not give them a baby name, but just call them No. 1, No. 2, No. 3, according to their birth.

Boys are thought so much more of in China than girls that if you ask a Chinese father who has both a boy and a girl now many children he has he will at ways reply "Only one child."

German parents sometimes change the name of their baby, if it is ill, and the Japanese are sure to change the name of a child four times.

Collars.

The girl who says she will wear no man's collar does not mind taking her brother's collars when she wants to set off her shirt waists mannishly.—New Orleans Magazine.

Not Very Reassuring.

Links (nervous of growling dog)—Does your dog bite?
Gagster—Not much; it swallows most of his food.—Judge.

An Unfortunate Inference.

"My uncle grows strawberries so big that six will fill a quart box."

"I'd be ashamed to have an uncle who would use that kind of quart boxes."

Undesirable.

"Do you suppose the time will ever come when women will serve on the jury?"

"I hope not. There are too many disagreements now."—Detroit Free Press.

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